Steps to prevent terrorists from accessing information

1628. DR. VIJAY MALLYA:
SHRI RAJEEV SHUKLA:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that foreign defence manufacturers have sub-contracted a lot of development work to Information Technology companies based in Karnataka; and

(b) if so, what protection Government of India have taken to ensure that terrorist organization don't access such information?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) There are no specific reports of foreign defence manufacturers sub-contracting to IT companies based in Karnataka. However, a significant amount of the development work of the foreign companies is being sub-contracted to IT companies based in Bangalore.

(b) Foreign companies and the IT companies which are mostly multinationals are expected to have access control measures in this regard.

Allowing photos of Railways stations/Airports etc.

1629. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Union Government are considering to allow and liberalise to take pictures/photos at railway stations/platforms and airports in the country;

(b) if so, by when it will be allowed; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D.SWAMI):(a) to (c) The Government has removed restrictions on photography in the terminal buildings of the civil aerodromes. In respect of railway stations, no such proposal is under consideration. However, instructions already exist on the Railways for granting permission for still photography and film shooting in Railway premises on specific terms and conditions.